



## Safety Data Sheet

### 1. Identification

<b>Product Name:</b>	Crude Oil (Sweet)
<b>Chemical Family:</b>	Petroleum Hydrocarbon Mixture
<b>Manufacturers Name:</b>	Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation
<b>Address:</b>	1700 Broadway, Suite 2300 Denver, Colorado 80290
<b>Product Use:</b>	Feedstock for petroleum and petrochemical refining.
<b>Phone Number for Information:</b>	(303) 837-1661
<b>Emergency Phone Number:</b>	(800) 424-9300 (Chemtrec)

Crude oil is a complex mixture of paraffinic, cycloparaffinic and aromatic hydrocarbons covering carbon numbers ranging from C1 to over C60. It is amber to black in color. Crude oil contains small amounts of sulfur, nitrogen and oxygen compounds as well as trace amounts of heavy metals.

### 2. Hazard Identification

Crude oil is extremely flammable and can cause eye, skin, gastrointestinal, and respiratory irritation. Inhalation may cause dizziness, nausea, or headache. More serious health effects can occur if crude oil is inhaled or swallowed.

Crude oil may contain variable amounts of benzene and n-hexane. Long-term exposure to these materials has been shown to lead to systemic toxicity such leukemia and peripheral neurotoxicity.

**DANGER!**  
**FLAMMABLE LIQUID**

MAY CONTAIN BENZENE WHICH CAN CAUSE CANCER OR BE TOXIC TO BLOOD-FORMING ORGANS. ASPIRATION OF LIQUID INTO THE LUNGS CAN PRODUCE CHEMICAL PNEUMONIA OR EVEN DEATH.

**NO SMOKING!**  
KEEP AWAY FROM HEAT/SPARKS/OPEN FLAMES/HOT SURFACES. WEAR PROTECTIVE GLOVES, CLOTHING AND EYE WEAR WHEN HANDLING. AVOID RELEASE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT.

### Globally Harmonized System (GHS) Information

**Physical Hazards Classification**  
Flammable Liquids, Category 2

**Health Hazards Classification**

Acute Toxicity (Skin/Dermal), Category 3

Skin Corrosion/irritation, Category 2

Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Category 2a

Carcinogenicity, Category 1B

Specific Target organ toxicity – single exposure, Category 3 (narcotic effects)

Specific Target organ toxicity – repeated exposure, Category 2 (bone marrow, liver, thymus)

Aspiration hazard, Category 1

**Environmental Hazards Classification**

Acute Toxicity to the aquatic environment, Category 3

Chronic Toxicity to the aquatic environment, Category 3

**GHS Label Information****Symbols:****Signal Word: Danger****Hazard Statements:****Physical Hazards**

Flammable liquid and vapor

**Health Hazards**

May cause cancer

May be fatal if swallowed  
and enters airways

Causes eye irritation

May cause drowsiness or  
dizzinessMay cause damage to  
organs through prolonged or  
repeated exposure

Causes mild skin irritation

**Environmental Hazards**

Harmful to aquatic life

Harmful to aquatic life with  
long lasting effects**Precautionary Statements:****Prevention**

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces – no smoking

Keep container tightly closed

Ground/bond container and receiving equipment

Use explosion proof electrical/ventilation/lighting equipment

Use only non-sparking tools

Take precautionary measures against static discharge

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face  
protection

Obtain special instructions before use

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and  
understood

Wash hands thoroughly after handling

Do not breathe vapors

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

Avoid release to the environment

**Response**IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin  
with water/shower

In case of fire: use appropriate extinguishing media

If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention or advice

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove  
contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

	<p>If irritation persists get medical advice/attention</p> <p><b>IF INHALED:</b> Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.</p> <p>Collect spillage</p> <p><b>IF SWALLOWED:</b> Immediately call a poison control center or doctor/physician</p> <p>Do <u>not</u> induce vomiting</p> <p><b>Storage</b></p> <p>Store locked up</p> <p>Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.</p> <p><b>Disposal</b></p> <p>Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations</p>
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### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

<u>COMPOSITION</u>	<u>CAS NUMBER</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
Crude Oil	8002-05-9	100
May Contain Variable Amounts of:		
Natural Gas	8005-14-2	---
Benzene	71-43-2	---
N-Hexane	110-54-3	---

### 4. First Aid Measures

#### Eye Contact

Immediately flush eyes while holding eyelids open, with large amounts of clean, low-pressure tepid water for at least 15 minutes. If symptoms, irritation or injury persists, worsen or develop, seek medical attention.

#### Skin Contact

Remove contaminated clothing/shoes, wipe excess from skin. Immediately flush skin with water for 15 minutes then wash with soap and water. If illness or adverse symptoms develop or irritation persists, seek medical attention. Discard contaminated leather goods.

#### Inhalation

Remove victim to fresh air and provide oxygen if breathing labored, shallow, or difficult. Rescuer must wear appropriate supplied air respirator to remove worker from contaminated area to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if victim is not breathing. Seek medical attention immediately\*.

#### Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs spontaneously, keep head below hips to prevent aspiration of liquid into the lungs. Seek medical attention.\*

#### Note to Physician

\*If more than 2.0 ML per KG has been ingested and emesis has not occurred, vomiting should be induced with supervision. Keep victim's head below hips to prevent aspiration. If symptoms such as loss of gag reflex, convulsions or unconsciousness occur before emesis, gastric lavage using a cuffed endotracheal tube should be considered.

### **Aggravated Medical Conditions**

Preexisting eye, skin, and respiratory disorders may be aggravated by exposure to crude oil.

## **5. Fire-Fighting Measures**

### **Extinguishing Media**

For small fires, class B fire extinguishing media can be used. Use water fog, foam, dry chemical or CO<sub>2</sub>. Do not use a direct stream of water. Product will float and can be reignited on surface of water.

### **Special Fire Fighting Procedures and Precautions**

Warning: Flammable. Clear fire area of unprotected personnel. Do not enter confined fire space without full bunker gear (helmet with face shield, bunker coats, gloves and rubber boots) including a positive pressure NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Cool containers exposed to fire with water.

### **Unusual Fire Explosion Hazards**

Container exposed to intense heat from fires should be cooled with water to prevent vapor pressure buildup which could result in container rupture (bleve). Container areas exposed to direct flame contact should be cooled with large quantities of water as needed to prevent weakening of container structure. Sulfur oxides and hydrogen sulfide, both of which are toxic, may be released upon combustion.

### **NFPA Ratings**

Health – 2

Flammability – 3

Reactivity – 0

Other – 0

Key: Least-0; Slight-1; Moderate-2; High-3; Extreme-4

## **6. Accidental Release Measures**

Keep the public away. Isolate and evacuate the area. Eliminate all ignition sources. Handling equipment must be grounded or bonded to prevent sparking.

\*\*\* Large Spills\*\*\* Evacuate the hazard area of unprotected personnel. Wear appropriate respirator and protective clothing. Shut off source of leak only if safe to do so. Dike and contain with sand or soil. If vapor cloud forms, water fog may be used to suppress. Contain run-off. Remove with vacuum trucks or pump to storage/salvage vessels. Soak up residue with an absorbent such as clay, sand or other suitable material; place in non-leaking containers for proper disposal. Flush area with water to remove trace residue and dispose of flush solutions as above.

\*\*\* Small Spills\*\*\* Take up with an absorbent material and place in non-leaking containers; seal tightly for proper disposal.

## **7. Handling and Storage**

Comply with all regulatory requirements. Store in suitable tanks or closed, labeled containers in a cool, well-ventilated area.

Keep liquid and vapor away from heat, sparks and flame. Surfaces that are sufficiently hot may even ignite liquid product in the absence of sparks or flame. Extinguish pilot lights, cigarettes and turn off other sources of ignition prior to use and until all vapors have been dispersed. Containers, even those that have been emptied, can contain explosive vapors. Do not cut, drill, grind, weld or perform similar operations on or near containers. Static electricity may accumulate and create a fire hazard. Ground fixed equipment. Bond and ground transfer containers and equipment.

Wash hands with soap and water before eating, drinking, smoking or using toilet facilities. Launder contaminated clothing before reuse. Dispose of leather articles including shoes which cannot be decontaminated.

## **8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

### **Occupational Exposure Limits**

<u>COMPONENT</u>	<u>OSHA PEL</u>	<u>ACGIH TLV TWA</u>
Crude Oil	400 ppm ***	Not available
Natural Gas	Not available	Not available
Hexane	500 ppm	500 ppm/STEL 1000 ppm
Benzene	1 ppm**/STEL 5 ppm	0.5 ppm

#### **Notes:**

\*\* OSHA's action level is 0.5 ppm (29 CFR 1910.1028)

\*\*\* Listed PEL was vacated in 1993

### **Engineering Controls**

Maintain air concentrations below flammable limits and occupational exposure standards for chemical components by using ventilation and other engineering controls.

### **Personal Protective Equipment**

#### **Eye/Face Protection**

Use safety glasses, chemical splash goggles and/or a face shield as appropriate to prevent eye contact.

#### **Skin Protection**

Wear chemical resistant gloves and other protective clothing, as required, to minimize skin contact. Test data from published literature and/or glove and clothing manufacturers indicate suitable protection is provided by neoprene or nitrile gloves.

#### **Respiratory Protection**

Use NIOSH approved respiratory protection as required to prevent overexposure to oil mist and vapor. Do not enter storage compartments unless equipped with a NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus with a full face-piece operated in a positive pressure mode.

#### **Protective Clothing**

Wear chemical resistant gloves and other protective clothing, as required, to minimize skin contact. Use safety glasses or chemical splash goggles to prevent eye contact. Test data from published literature and/or glove and clothing manufacturers indicate suitable protection is provided by neoprene or nitrile gloves.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

**Appearance and Odor:** Black, dark green or yellow liquid; strong hydrocarbon and possible sulfur odor.

**pH:** Neutral

**Melting Point/freezing point:** Not available

**Boiling Point:** <100°F

**Flash Point and Method:** <60°F to >200°F / Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Tester

**Evaporation Rate:** Slower (N-Butyl Acetate =1)

**Flammable Limits:** (approximate % Volume in air) Lower: 1.0 Upper: 7.0

**Vapor Pressure:** 0-724 mm Hg

**Specific Gravity:** 0.7-1.0 (H<sub>2</sub>O=1.0)

**Vapor Density:** 1.5-3.0 (Air=1)

**Solubility:** Slight (in water)

**Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):** 2-6

**Auto ignition temperature** >500 °F

**Decomposition temperature** Not available

**Viscosity** Not available

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

**Stability:** Stable

**Hazardous polymerization:** Will not occur

**Conditions and Materials to Avoid:** Avoid heat, sparks, flame and contact with strong oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Thermal decomposition products are highly dependent on the combustion conditions. A complex mixture of airborne, solid, liquid, particulates and gases will evolve when this material undergoes pyrolysis or combustion. Carbon monoxide and other unidentified organic compounds may be formed upon combustion.

## 11. Toxicological Information

**Acute toxicity** - Ingestion may cause irritation of the mouth, throat & gastrointestinal tract leading to nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and restlessness. Vapors can be harmful or fatal if inhaled. Exposure may result in central nervous system (CNS) depression. Early to moderate CNS depression may be evidenced by giddiness, headache, dizziness and nausea; in extreme cases, unconsciousness and death may occur.

**Skin corrosion/irritation** - Based on the presence of light hydrocarbons, crude oil is presumed to be moderately irritating to the skin. Prolonged and repeated contact may cause various skin disorders such as dermatitis, folliculitis, oil acne, or skin tumors.

**Eye damage/irritation** - Based on the presence of light hydrocarbons, crude oil is presumed to be moderately irritating to the eyes.

**Sensitization** - Not known to cause respiratory or skin sensitization

**Germ cell mutagenicity** – Information not available

**Carcinogenicity** – May contain benzene which is a confirmed human carcinogen (leukemia). Also, several long term skin painting studies in experimental animals have shown crude oil to produce skin cancer.

**Reproductive toxicity** – Not a known reproductive toxin

**Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity** – Blood/bone marrow, nervous system, respiratory system, eyes

**Aspiration hazard** – Aspiration of this product into the lungs can cause chemical pneumonia and can be fatal. Aspiration can occur while vomiting after ingestion of this product. Aspiration pneumonitis may be evidenced by coughing, labored breathing and cyanosis (bluish skin); in severe cases death may occur.

## **12. Ecological Information**

Coating action of oil can kill birds, plankton, algae and fish. Keep out of all bodies of water and sewage drainage systems.

## **13. Disposal Considerations**

This product, as produced, is not specifically listed as an EPA RCRA hazardous waste according to 40 CFR 261. However, when disposed of, it may meet the criteria of a "characteristic" hazardous waste (e.g. D001 – ignitable). This product could also contain benzene and could be considered hazardous because it exhibits the characteristic of "toxicity." It is the responsibility of the user to determine if the material is considered hazardous for disposal under federal, state and local regulations.

## **14. Transportation Information**

**Department of Transportation Classification:** Flammable liquid if flash point <200°F.

**D.O.T. proper shipping name:** Crude Oil Petroleum

**Other Requirements:** UN 1267

**Hazard Class:** 3

**Packing Group** II

## **15. Regulatory Information**

**TSCA** This product is listed on the TSCA chemical inventory.

**SARA Section 302** This product does not contain any components on the EPA's extremely hazardous substance list.

**SARA Section 304** This product may contain the following component(s) which in the event of a spill may be subject to SARA reporting requirements: toluene, xylene, hexane, benzene.

**SARA Section 311/312** The following hazard categories apply to this product:

Acute health hazard  
Chronic health hazard  
Fire hazard

**SARA Section 313** This product may contain the following component(s) which may be subject to reporting on a toxic release inventory: toluene, xylene, hexane, benzene.

**EPA-CWA** Spills into or leading to surface waters that cause a sheen must be reported to the National Response Center, 800-424-8802.

## **16. Other Information**

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